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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please insert the attached Abstract into the specification of the application as the last page thereof.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, after the title, please insert the following paragraph:

This application is a Nonprovisional of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/001,387 filed on July 21, 1995; U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/001,861 filed on August 3, 1995; and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/016,700 filed May 2, 1996.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1-30 and enter new claims 31-56.

31. (NEW) A method for identifying a mammal having or at risk for developing glomerulonephropathy comprising the steps of: